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## IN THE CLAIMS

Please substitute the claim set in the appendix entitled Clean Version of Pending Claims for the previously pending claim set. The substitute claim set is intended to reflect amendment of previously pending claims 1, 6, 11, 16, 21-25, and 51-53. The specific amendments to individual claims are detailed in the following marked up set of claims.

(Amended) A semiconductor structure for storing charges, comprising:

an insulator layer having a first compound that includes substances; and a [uniform] single conductive layer having a second compound that includes a first substance and a second substance, wherein the second compound in an as-deposited state includes a substantial amount of the second substance so as to inhibit undesired diffusion of at least one substance of the first compound from the insulator layer.

(Amended) A semiconductor structure for storing charges, comprising:
ap insulator layer; and

a [uniform] single conductive layer having a compound formed from a first substance and a second substance, wherein the conductive layer includes a trace amount of the first substance,

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